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I could not agree more with Molly Irin's assessment of the current deplorable state of children's television and of the responsibilities of the industry.

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Some of you must have children. Do you suspend your abilities to make judgments & connections in order to keep children in one compartment and the violence & crass consumerism in a separate ~~consumer~~ ^{compartment}? You as an industry, develop values in children. Don't ~~you should~~ ^{disenfranchise}

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I read with interest and appreciation that Westinghouse Electric is voluntarily increasing educational programming for children over the next 7 years.

My only concern is that more advertisers + the Government are not taking steps to include more + better educational features for children.

When you consider that children watch TV on an average of 20 hours per week, it would certainly help a child's growth to become a more stable adult if the child had something creative + educational to watch than all the sex + violence that they now see (and most of all unsupervised) as there are so many one parent families with the parent off working.

A urge you to pursue this program for better TV exposure for our children.

Respectfully,
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FROM: Bertha Johnson
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Dear Chairman of FCC:

I Just want to be counted
as a Concern Parent; as to the
the quality of TV Program on TV
for Children.

I too, believe TV is one of
the most damaging form of intertaining
for our children. Children should see
program which help devolope Moral,
self-Esteem, does and don'ts.

They should be reinstated in all school.
We need ^{more} Educational Program at the
hours - Children are home alone. Or
after school and not in the early hour of
5:00 5:30 A.M.

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Yours Truly
Bertha Johnson



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The Honorable Reed Hundt
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW, Room 814
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Hundt:

On behalf of my child advocacy organization, I am writing to encourage you to strengthen the guidelines for the Children's Television Act of 1990 (MM No. 93-48).

Broadcast television can play an unprecedented role in nourishing the minds of our nation's children. In the Commission's own words: "There are many imaginative and exciting ways in which the medium can be used to further a child's understanding of a wide range of areas: history, science, literature, the environment, drama, music, fine arts, human relations, other cultures and languages, and basic skills such as reading and mathematics which are crucial to a child's development" (1974 FCC Policy Statement).

Broadcasters have the talent to create children's programs which are as educational as they are entertaining. Yet, today's children have greater access to sensationalistic talk shows, violent cartoons, and adult sitcoms than they do to programming designed to enrich their minds.

The FCC needs to strengthen the guidelines for the Children's Television Act by establishing real policies designed to safeguard the interests of our children. These should include a clearer definition of "educational" programming and a requirement that television stations air at least one hour a day of 30-minute educational shows between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. in regularly scheduled time slots.

No other regulatory body is in a position to make this happen. Please...America's children are counting on you.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of Lucia Erikson-Kincheloe]

Lucia Erikson-Kincheloe
Executive Director

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Dear Friends;

Please continue to provide
MORE + BETTER

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING!

Our modern world is
so overflowing with
marvelous developments,
the stories of which
you could tell kiddos
and teens, + a lot of
adults would get to
learn, also!

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many people - adults -

who watch "trash" or
too frothy TV I believe
would be very
stimulated by good
children's programs!

A lot of work-weary
people could enjoy
such programming as
their offspring do, and
as they do "a million"
chores to survive.

(That's enjoy ^{they} ~~or~~ listen
to.)

And, if subliminal
messages are OK,
let's lure ^{adult} people +
kids to read.

Sincerely, Lennie Murphy,
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